

Introduction to Agile

Duration

In person: 1 day

LiveOnline: 2 sessions of 4 hours each

Intended for

- Team members starting out in an Agile workplace
- Project managers entering the Agile environment
- Managers of teams involved in Agile ways of working
- Consultants looking for a solid grounding in an Agile approach

Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for this course.



What is Agile and how does it work?

This course is designed for those with limited Agile experience, to provide you with an introduction to the Agile approach. You will look at the underlying philosophy and motivation for Agile and examine the core values, principles, practices and techniques that fall under the broad Agile umbrella. Independent of any single brand or methodology, our introductory course looks at the key factors that are needed to apply Agile effectively. This program will give you hands-on experience of what it means to work and think in an Agile manner.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the course you will be able to understand:

- The business value of adopting Agile approaches
- How Agile teams cooperate and collaborate to deliver business value
- The background to participating in an Agile workplace
- The roles and responsibilities of a typical Agile team
- The various tools available to Agile teams to facilitate conversation about priorities
- The important interpersonal skills Agile environments encourage and foster
- How discipline and standards contribute to agility

Content

An introduction to Agile:

- The genesis of Agile - where these approaches came from and why they work
- Key values of Agile
- The Agile lifecycle and frameworks
- Developing an Agile mindset
- Collaboration
- Team roles and responsibilities
- Workflow
- Value and outcome focus
- Product verses project
- Transparency and visualisation
- Transformation

Discovery:

- Ideas
- Design
- Quality
- Priority
- Planning

Delivery:

- Day to day practices
- Delivery of a solution

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Method used

Lecturing is kept to the minimum necessary, most of the learning is achieved through applying the practices and techniques in group exercises.

Delivery:

This program is offered as a classroom-based course as well as a LiveOnline program. Our LiveOnline delivery is over two days (each four hours in duration). The instructor is 100% live and interaction and learning objectives are the same as our in-person classes with the added benefit of being able to take this course from your home, your office or your home office. Since this class is delivered over half-days it allows for greater flexibility and leaves you with time each day for other work or activities.